

FIG. 1
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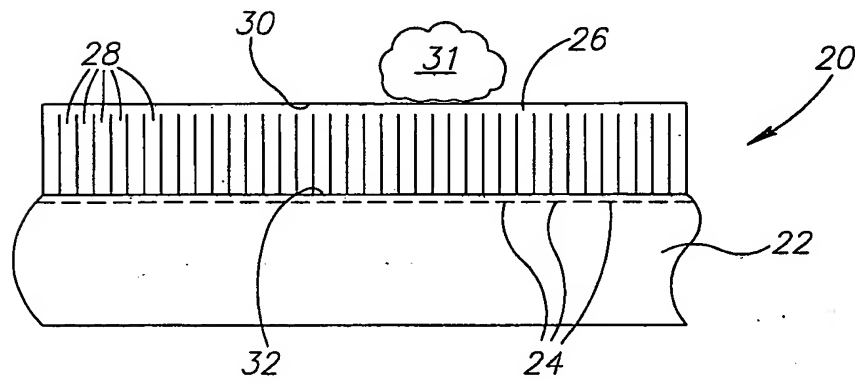


FIG. 2A

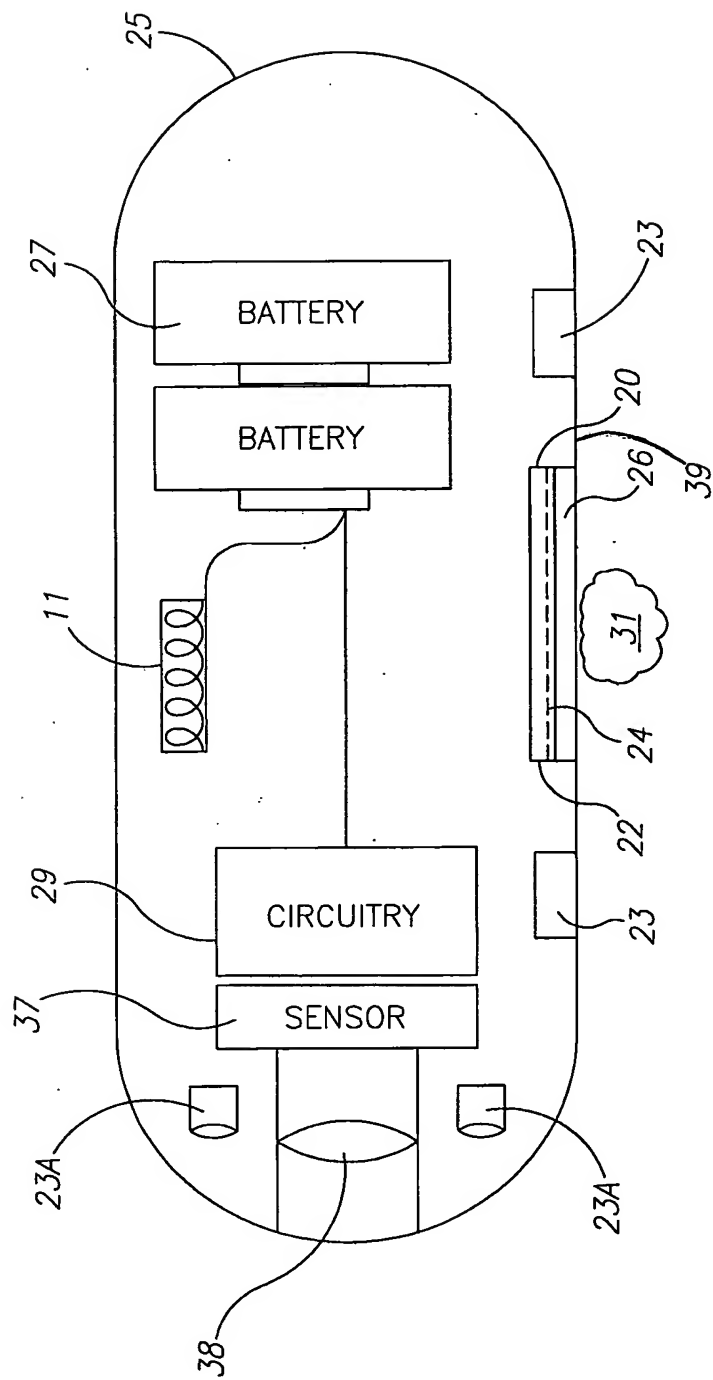


FIG. 2B

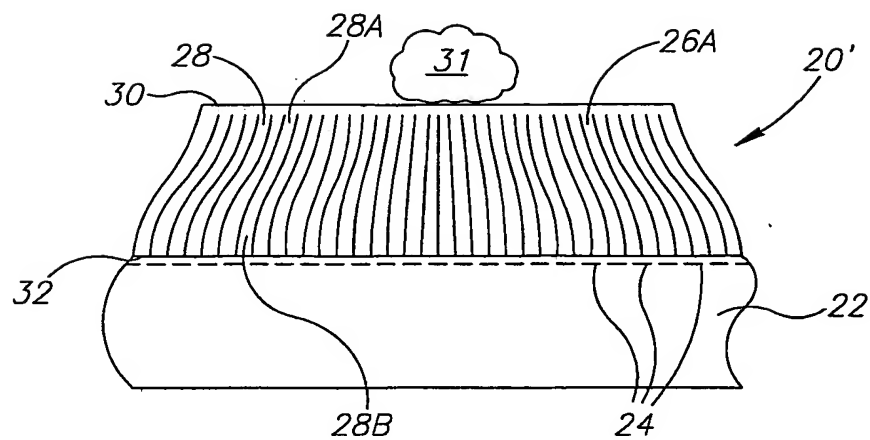


FIG. 3A

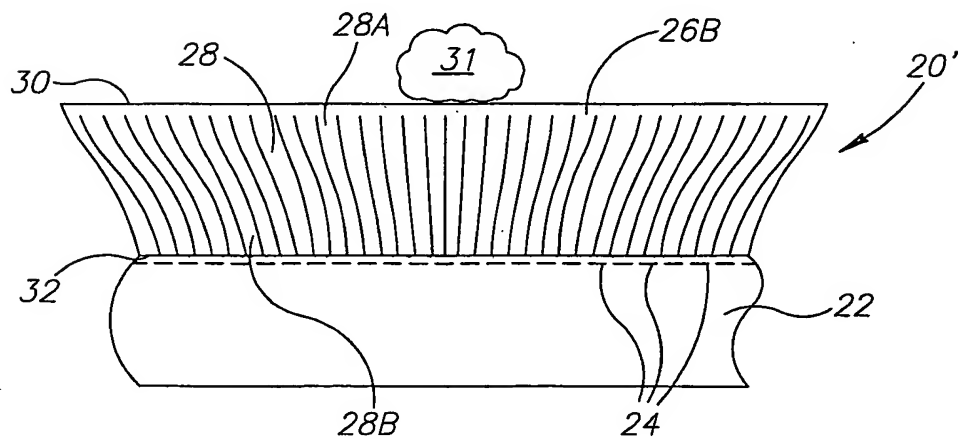


FIG. 3B

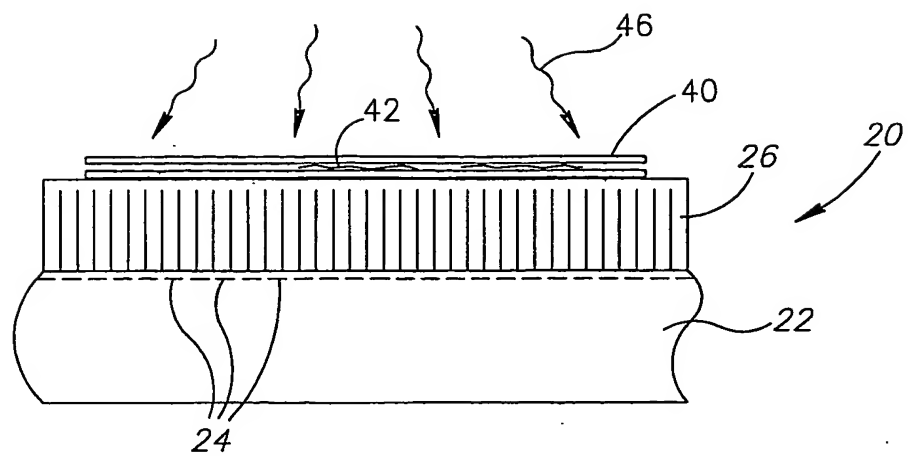


FIG. 4

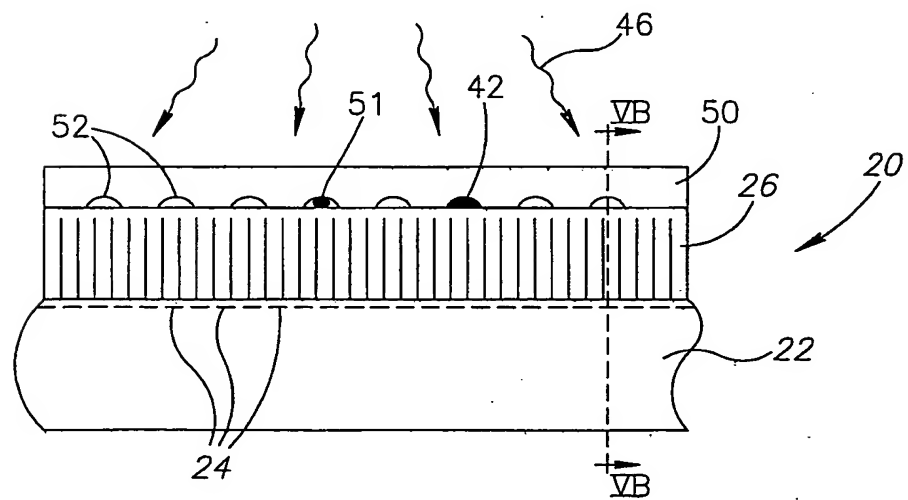


FIG. 5A

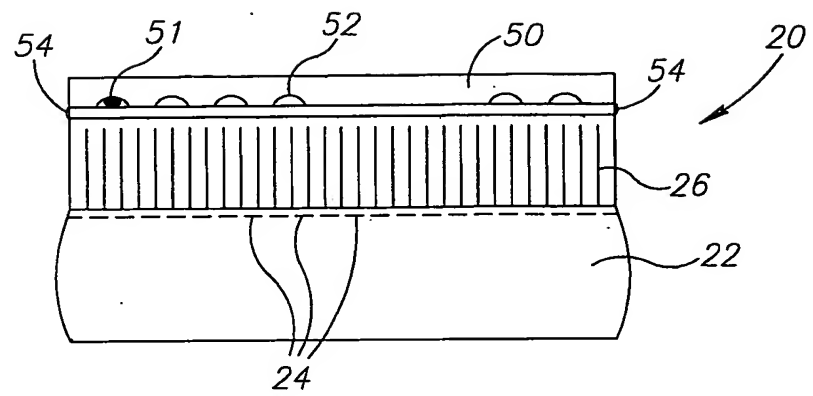


FIG. 5B

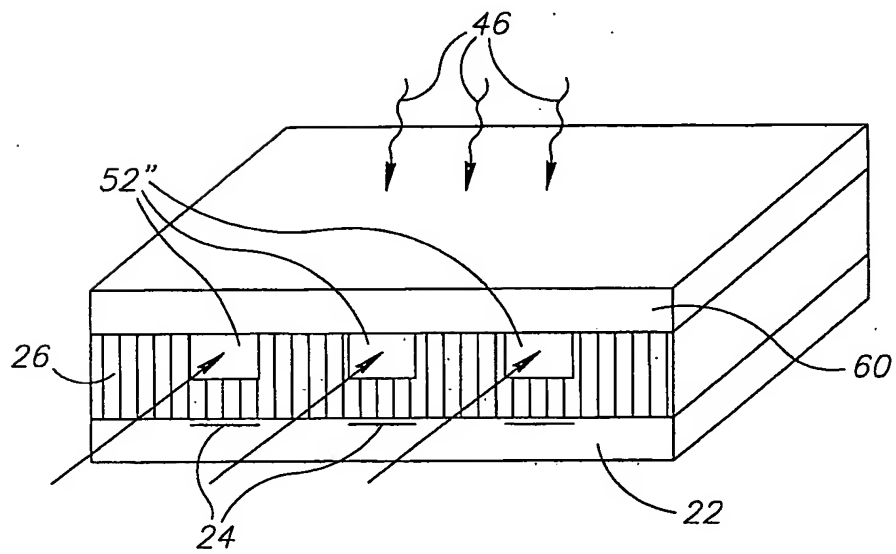


FIG. 6

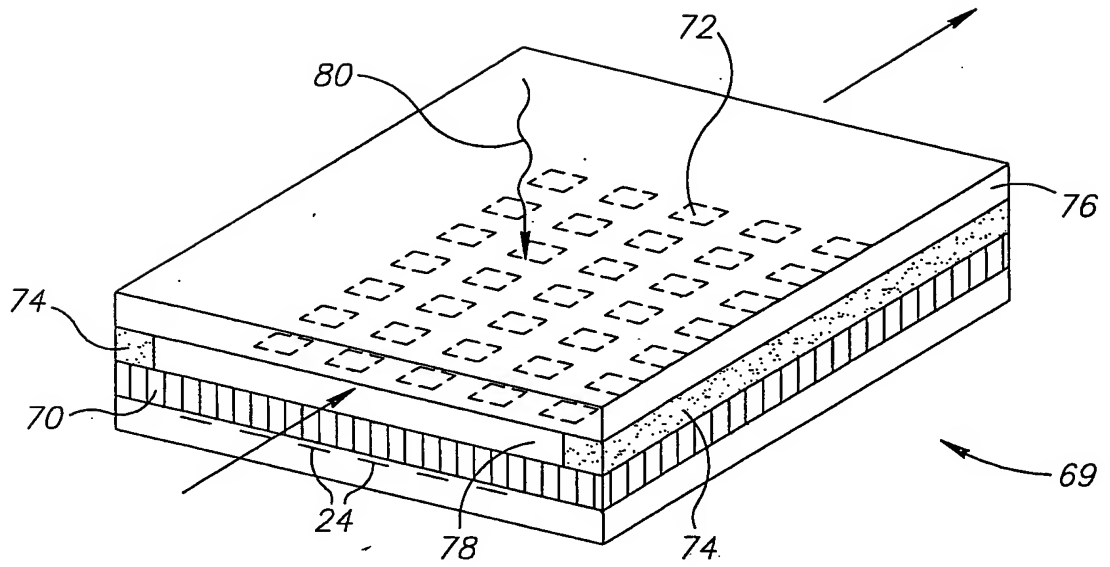


FIG. 7A

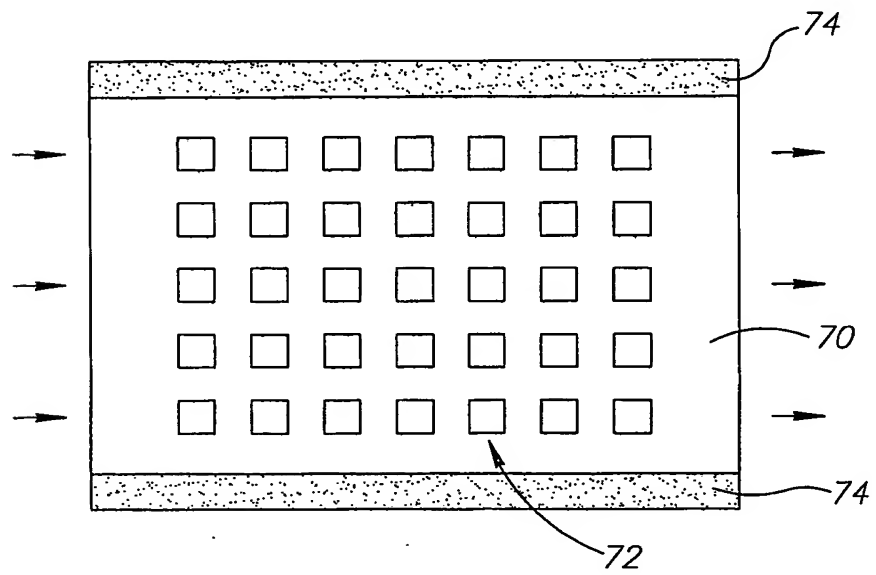


FIG. 7B

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CAPTURING WITH AN IMAGER
~~AN~~ IMAGE OF A SAMPLE IN
CONTACT WITH A FIBER PLATE
COVER ON SUCH IMAGER

FIG.8